

for his selfless service and sacrifice, we are forever indebted.

A true native son of Arizona, Ying was born in the back room of Sunrise Grocery Store, the family business, located at the southwest corner of Central Avenue and Indian School Road in the heart of central Phoenix. The fourth of 12 children, Ying attended Glendale High School before enlisting in the U.S. Navy at the young age of 18. He willingly served during World War II from 1945 to 1946 before returning to Arizona to build a life in the state he called home.

Upon his return to Phoenix, Ying devoted himself to the family grocery store. What started from his father's humble beginnings sparked his passion to expand the family business into a chain that served many in our community. His fidelity to family and the business they created cultivated his entrepreneurial legacy. Whether in real estate, commercial investments, retail projects, or any of his business pursuits, Ying treated his colleagues and community partners with dignity and respect as if they were his own family. He was a man of deep admiration whose spirit brought light to every room he entered, and his business success shaped future generations.

Ying was a relentlessly active member of our community who found joy from his involvement in several organizations including the Thomas Tang American Legion Post 50, the Chinese American Citizens Alliance, and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. Compassionate and kind-hearted, Ying found pleasure in life's simplest gifts. From a dominoes game to a dim sum luncheon, he wove his infectious smile and kind nature into everything he did, bringing joy to all he met.

Arizona owes a debt of gratitude to Ying for his invaluable contributions to our great nation. In this spirit of remembrance, we join Ying's wife of 66 years, Catherine, and his family and loved ones to honor his legacy that will be felt for generations to come.

I thank Ying for his service, and Godspeed.

RECOGNIZING PRESIDENT DR.
MARY HINTON

HON. TOM EMMER
OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Mr. EMMER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank President Dr. Mary Hinton for her service to the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph. Dr. Hinton served as President of the college since 2014 and will shortly assume a new role as the 13th President of Hollins University in Virginia.

Prior to her work at the College of St. Benedict, President Hinton was a visiting faculty member for the University of Pennsylvania and Vice President for Planning and Assessment at Mount St. Mary College.

President Hinton has built her career around leading and inspiring young women. During her time at St. Ben's, which enrolls 1,700 undergraduate women, she helped raise \$100 million in funding and implemented \$43 million in campus updates, providing our community with premier facilities for teaching, learning, and promoting women's leadership.

My staff and I have greatly enjoyed working with President Hinton over the past six years,

and we are grateful for her work on behalf of her students and our community.

We were especially grateful to have her as a panelist on my first ever Young Women's Leadership Program in 2015. She shared her time and insights with young women from Minnesota's Sixth District and inspired us all.

Congratulations to President Hinton on this exciting new role. I thank her for all she has done for our community. Minnesota will miss her.

HONORING RETIRED LIEUTENANT
COMMANDER WILLIAM DC JONES

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to honor retired Lieutenant Commander William DC Jones of Temple, Texas as he celebrates his 100th birthday on December 11. In his century of living, LTC Jones has exemplified not only the best in service to his country, but to his community as well.

His fearless support of our country's interests abroad serves as a clear testament to his dedication to our great nation and to his commitment to serving others. During WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War, LTC Jones bravely served as a pilot, aerial observer, and member of the Department of the Army Inspector General's Office. His work did not go unnoticed as he earned many awards and decorations for his patriotism including the Legion of Merit, two Bronze Stars, and a Meritorious Service Medal.

After retiring in Temple, the very place he grew up, LTC Jones continued to service his country and community through the Temple Golden K Kiwanis Club, the Temple Community Concert Association, and civic organizations. His work speaks to the devoted and generous spirit of a man who puts the needs of others before those of himself.

I join LTC Jones' friends and family in applauding the work he has done and service he continues to provide. I wish him the happiest of birthdays and nothing but health and prosperity in the years ahead.

IN HONOR OF WAYNE LEE

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Wayne Lee as he leaves the city council of Millbrae after serving nine years. He also served as Mayor for two terms in 2013–2014 and 2018–2019. Wayne began public service in Millbrae by serving on the planning commission for six years.

Millbrae is a town of 23,000 located across the freeway from San Francisco International Airport. Its steep hillsides hold lush trees and capture the morning fog as it spills in from the Pacific Ocean. The city boasts outstanding schools that attract families from throughout the region. People also move to Millbrae to partake in youth sports and numerous annual

festivals. These new residents mix easily with longtime residents and both create a vibrant civic life.

Wayne Lee began public service in Millbrae as an adult, but he was no stranger to helping the public. At the age of 13, he joined the civil air patrol, an auxiliary of the United States Air Force, and ultimately rose to the rank of Lt. Colonel. While living in the nearby community of Pacifica, he was appointed to the youth commission and worked hard to create the Pacifica Youth Center.

After outstanding work as a student at City College in San Francisco, Wayne graduated with a bachelor's in chemical engineering from the University of California at Berkeley. He then began his career as an environmental engineer in both the public and private sectors. His goal was to assist companies in the avoidance of environmental pollution. He was very successful and retired after 28 years in the field.

As a father to Nicholas, Wayne was very active in Millbrae schools. He is the founding President of the Millbrae Education Foundation and was President of the PTA and active on the school site council. He organized the Millbrae Dog Park committee that eventually led to the creation of a special place where dogs can bring their humans so that these humans can be relieved of pandemic-induced boredom. Numerous sightings of smiles peeking out from under masks confirm that humans have benefitted immensely from Wayne's work. He is also an active member of the Millbrae Lion's Club and helped to supervise the Leos, a youth affiliate.

As a city councilmember, Wayne's priorities include the promotion of the city's business climate and youth-oriented programs. He is also deeply involved in promoting the city's public works projects, and housing is a significant priority for Wayne. He sincerely believes the city should do more to create housing for all income groups.

Wayne's work influences our region via his positions on the Executive Boards of the Association of Bay Area Governments, Peninsula Clean Energy, and the Asian Pacific Islanders Caucus. He is also a mentor to future civic leaders.

Millbrae will lose one of its biggest boosters when Wayne Lee leaves public life. He is deeply committed to ensuring that his city is diverse and a welcoming community for young and old alike. When the time comes to select a mascot for Millbrae, I'd nominate Wayne's smile. It signifies everything that is good about the city and announces that friendship is just a moment away for anyone who wishes to make this community on the Peninsula a better place for all. We all wish Wayne Lee a wonderful future in this remarkable city next to San Francisco Bay. It has been an honor to serve with him.

HONORING MAYOR JOSEPH T.
CALLINAN

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Mayor Joseph T. Callinan of

Rohnert Park in celebration of his twelve years serving on the Rohnert Park City Council.

Joseph Callinan was born in Rohnert Park, Sonoma County, California and is a lifelong resident of the city. In 2008, he was elected to city council and has served three terms. Callinan first became mayor in 2013, and served as vice mayor in 2019, before his current appointment. Apart from serving his community as a member of the city council and as mayor, Mr. Callinan also owns a successful construction company that operates throughout Sonoma, Napa and Marin counties.

As mayor, Callinan supported investments to update city infrastructure. This included repaving the roads and a testament to Callinan's commitment to public safety, the construction of a new fire station. He helped foster a greater sense of community by voting to approve a new downtown for Rohnert Park, to create a vibrant public gathering place, and two new parks, Maurice Fredericks Park and Five Creek Park.

Most notably, Mayor Callinan addressed the increased demand for more affordable housing during his years in public service. Multiple housing projects have begun construction during his time in office, with many of them aimed at low-income families and seniors. The most recent of these are the WillowGlen Neighborhood and The Redwoods at University District. In addition, Callinan advocated for the continuation of homebuilding in Rohnert Park during the COVID-19 pandemic to help alleviate the ongoing housing crisis as many projects were halted mid-build.

Madam Speaker, Joseph T. Callinan has lived in Rohnert Park for 60 years. His love and dedication for his community is evident by his tenure on the city council and as mayor. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

**HONORING THE LIVES OF ADORA
PREVOST RAGSDALE AND
GEORGE ROBINSON RAGSDALE**

HON. GEORGE HOLDING

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Mr. HOLDING. Madam Speaker, I rise today to take pause and reflect on the lives of Adora Prevost Ragsdale and George Robinson Ragsdale.

Dody, as her family lovingly called her, was born in Waynesville, North Carolina on May 31, 1939. The eldest of John Aaron and Adora Holtzclaw Prevost, she attended Waynesville High School and Sweet Briar College. She was elected President of her college class, and was an alumna of the Chi Omega Sorority where she also served as President. She graduated in 1961 with a Bachelor of Arts in History.

Dody adored the Appalachian Mountains in her youth and loved them throughout her life.

Her husband, George Ragsdale, graduated with honors in 1954 from Georgetown Preparatory School and then entered the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he graduated in 1958. An active student leader, he was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, the Order of the Golden Fleece, The Order of the Grail and was Chairman of the Men's Honor Council. He was elected Presi-

dent of the Senior Class and Permanent President of the Class of 1958.

Madam Speaker, George then went on to graduate from UNC Law School in 1961. He spent a year in Washington, D.C., as Assistant Chief Counsel of the United States Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights for the Chairman at the time, Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. It was in Washington where he met his wife "Dody" Prevost.

And on October 20, 1962 Dody and George married on what was described as a "brilliant October morning."

The couple moved back to North Carolina where George entered private practice in Raleigh. And upon the election of Governor Dan Moore, George was named Legal Counsel to the Governor. And then, in 1968, Governor Moore appointed him to the Bench as a Special Judge of the Superior Court of North Carolina, then one of the youngest such Judges in the State's history.

Dody championed and pushed countless causes including a fine understanding of the Arts, serving as the Board President for the North Carolina Symphony, and being a founding member of the American Dance Festival. And in her tireless spirit, Dody held multiple positions in her community, including with the Rex Hospital Guild and serving as President of the Capital City Garden Club.

George went on to found his own firm, Ragsdale Liggett, with his good friend Frank Liggett in 1972. During his long legal career, George served on the Boards of Directors of a number of publicly traded companies.

Madam Speaker, George then went on to be elected to the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1979 and then served as Chairman between 1984 and 1985.

Inspired by their deep Christian faith and devotion to God, Dody and George Ragsdale were founding members of Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Sadly, Dody Ragsdale passed away on June 19th earlier this year. And her loving husband George passed on August 12th. They will be missed by their friends, their family, and their community.

My deepest and warmest sympathies and condolences are with the entire Ragsdale Family in this difficult time.

**HONORING COUNCILMEMBER
CYNTHIA MATHEWS**

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Cynthia Mathews, the retiring City Councilmember and former Mayor of the City of Santa Cruz, California, for her commitment to serving the people of the central coast of California.

It is my honor to recognize her as she finishes her final term serving the City of Santa Cruz as the longest serving member of the City Council. Her service of 24 years has benefited countless residents of the City of Santa Cruz and is an achievement that few elected officials experience.

Councilmember Mathew's mark can be seen in the City of Santa Cruz's protection of its his-

toric buildings and architectural importance, the recovery of the Downtown after the Loma Prieta earthquake, and the protection of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. She has been a leader on the Santa Cruz County Democratic Central Committee and led efforts to pass revenue measures supporting Santa Cruz City Schools, the Santa Cruz Public Library system and City of Santa Cruz Parks and Recreation programs.

The community of Santa Cruz has been well served by her dedication to neighborhoods, economic development, housing, social equity and social services, and public safety. Public service is a demanding commitment, and she has served with grace, intelligence and determination. Her service will certainly inspire future leaders on the Central Coast.

As she begins her retirement, I have no doubt that Cynthia will continue to serve her community. We, on the Central Coast, are grateful for her contributions to our community and celebrate her successful career.

**HONORING THE U.S.-JAPAN ALLIANCE
AND CELEBRATING OUR
JAPANESE AMERICAN COMMUNITY**

HON. ED CASE

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

Mr. CASE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the alliance between the United States and Japan and celebrate the extraordinary contributions of Japanese Americans across our country, especially in my home state of Hawaii.

Seventy-five years ago, the Second World War finally ended when Japanese and Allied representatives signed the Instrument of Surrender on the deck of the U.S.S. *Missouri*, the storied battleship that now rests in Pearl Harbor in my district. Three generations hence, Japan has become a crucial ally, economic power and trading partner to the United States and built a dynamic democratic society and vibrant popular culture. Our two countries and peoples stand united as anchors of peace, prosperity and the liberal international order in the Indo-Pacific region.

On November 18, 2020, the House unanimously passed H. Res. 349, reaffirming the vital role of the United States-Japan alliance in promoting peace, stability and prosperity in the Indo-Pacific region and beyond, a resolution that I also proudly cosponsored. Amidst this COVID-19 pandemic, renewed great power competition and a world in flux, the alliance and friendship between the United States and Japan remains a pillar of stability. Whatever challenges lie ahead, I am confident that our two countries will stand together and overcome them.

The memory of World War II also evokes one of the most shameful periods of our history as a country: the mass internment of Japanese Americans. Through Executive Order 9066 and other orders, the federal government forcibly relocated and incarcerated about 120,000 Japanese Americans, the majority of whom were U.S. citizens, in concentration camps.